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To Mr. BAVIUS, *Secretary to the Society of* Grub-ſtreet.

I AM apt to hope, Mr. BAVIUS, that a paper deſigned for public emolument, may be as pretty an amuſement, as an over-amorous copy of verſes, or any fabulous tale from Perſia or Arabia. Pleaſe to unbend your-ſelf therefore, and attend to a relation that has ſome reality in it; and may not, perhaps, be altogether unprofitable to your fellow ſubjects. I think it is a maxim, unconteſted by any but parties concerned in intereſt, that the law, under its modern management, is the greateſt grievance under which the people of England laLour. Some, and not altogether *mal a propos*, have given it the denomination of a *general exciſe*; and argue thence, that all other exciſes are mere ſupernumerary burdens. *Be that as it will*, as my weekly brethren phraſe it, it will ſerve well enough to introduce my following narrative.

I was, t'other day, in ſome company of the better ſort, among which was a parliament man or two; ſome of whom lamented the ſlow advances towards the redreſs of the ſubject under that almoſt peſtilential viſitation. When one of the company, directing himſelf to CLEANDER, one of thoſe members of the houſe, declared his ſurprize, that ſo great and wiſe a body, with all its efforts, had not been able to find a remedy equal to the evil. CLEANDER had no ſooner received the charge, but he began, with ſome warmth, to offer excuſes for it. The multiplicity of public affairs afforded one; the unacquaintedneſs of moſt, through whoſe hands the redreſs muſt paſs, yielded another; and a third was raiſed from the too great intereſt lawyers have in the houſe, who, whenever any thing of that nature was ſtarted, always made a violent oppoſition, and conſequently rendered all ſuch attempts inefficacious.

TIMON, who made one of the company, having heard him out with his accuſtomary good-temper; ſo ſoon as CLEANDER had finiſhed his excuſatory province, took up the argument in this manner. —— I grant, CLEANDER, the excuſes you mention, have been frequently made; and, by men a little too indolent, have been as frequently allowed authentic. Nevertheleſs, if you and this good company will afford me a little of your patience, I perſuade myſelf, I ſhall eaſily invalidate all ſuch pretences; and demonſtrate, that every one of them is unworthy the mouth or mind of a ſenator. —— And as to the firſt, which is founded upon the multiplicity of public affairs, how weak is it! Can any thing demand a more ſpeedy and intenſe regard, than an evil which is epidemical? If a trading veſſel come from a place infected, the whole nation is allarmed, and very juſtly: proclamations, and orders are immediately iſſued for the better ſecurity of the people from an infection, dreadful in apprehenſion. Why then are we ſo ſupine under a viſitation, which, as experience demonſtrates, more than four times in the year ſweeps away its thouſands? What county is there, of all the twenty four, that does not every aſſizes produce us inſtances of parents offering up their children to this modern MOLOCH; or of children reciprocally ſacrificing their parents to the avaricious petulance of ſome neighbouring attorney? Or which of all of them will not afford you oſtentatious ſtructures, raiſed by thoſe ſons of MAMMON, upon the ruins of their fellow ſubjects? Does not this intreat, nay, ſhould it not demand, as ſpeedy a conſideration, and as arduous a debate, as the mending of a road, or the naturalization of half a hundred foreigners? —— CLEANDER was here going to purſue the dictates of impatience, and give ſome interruption to TIMON; when the company perceiving it, cryed out one and all, *To order*, and deſired TIMON to proceed.

The ſecond excuſe is, in my humble opinion, continued TIMON, of leſs weight than the former. For if by unacquaintedneſs is intended an unskilfulneſs in the matters to be debated upon; I would ask, are there not every ſeſſion brought before them affairs equally intricate? How few of that great number, which compoſe that auguſt aſſembly, are acquainted with, or verſed in, mercantile matters? Notwithſtanding which, ſcarce a ſeſſion paſſes, without having ſomewhat or other of that nature layed before them; and (where prejudice, intereſt, or party are out of the queſtion) to very good purpoſe? Even in places moſt remote, diſtant as both the Indies, their influence has been found effectual; when by hearing the ſeveral parties, and after proper inquiries and ſcrutinies, they have informed their reaſon, and eſtabliſhed their judgments. Our laws, thanks to our anceſtors, are not compoſed of ſuch unintelligible or immalleable ſtuff, as to ſet at defiance the head or hand of a good work-man. And if it be the intereſt or trade of thoſe who deal in them, to render them obſcure by their forenſial gloſſes; ſure I am, that every perſon which makes a part of that awful aſſembly is, or ought to be, endued with ſo much perſpicacity and good ſenſe, as to diſtinguiſh between light and darkneſs, when both, or either, are ſet before him.

But I imagine the third excuſe, as it is the moſt general, may poſſibly be thought the moſt material, as it is raiſed from the great intereſt, which the practicers pretend to have in that auguſt aſſembly; and from the oppoſition and artifice by that means made uſe of upon every attempt towards a regulation. That our laws are grown ſo voluminous, as to want ſome reduction, has been allowed by the great VERULAM, HALES, HOLT, and other the greateſt ornaments of that profeſſion. But tho' that would be an advanced ſtep, and a very great one, towards the work in queſtion; I dare not flatter myſelf with one hope towards ſucceſs in ſuch a glorious undertaking, 'till ſet on foot by majeſty, who, like another JUSTINIAN, having it ſincerely at heart, ſhall have ſoul and ſpirit to accompliſh that, which, ſo accompliſhed, would be the juſteſt act of glory ſince the conqueſt. However, in my humble opinion, that difficulty ought not to preclude or retard ſubſervient inquiries and regulations. Piſmires and caterpillars raiſe our immediate indignation, in order to prevent their further devaſtations: and to fruſtrate the intended ruin of honeſt families, is a work ſo worthy an Engliſh heart, that it ought to incite all ſuch to ſet their hands to the plough with zeal and vigour. Breezes live upon the ſores of our cattle; but not on ſores of their own creating: yet theſe, worſe than breezes, make the ſores they fatten upon; and when they have gorged themſelves, ſtarve their unfortunate feeders. For all which reaſons, as I ſayed before, every honeſt man ſhould with heart and hand proſecute the labour; and, where his power is defective, demonſtrate, that his beſt wiſhes at leaſt are faſt friends to the public.

CLEANDER, who had with ſome appearance of impatience all along attended to TIMON, here broke out, ſaying: After all this plauſible harangue, if you could point out a path, I would allow you had done ſomewhat: but 'till then ——— I will offer my mite, rejoined TIMON, if you will afford attention. And tho' I ſhould come ſhort of my aim, I dare flatter myſelf, that what I offer may ſet more prolific genius's a working, ſome of which may at laſt produce a glorious completion. Engliſh-men are allowed to be dextrous at improvements; and I will not therefore deſpair of our cleanſing this ſtable of pollution, having HERCULES for a preſident. Some late examinations ſeem to confeſs a degeneracy in extortionary fees: but alas, theſe are not the roots, tho' they may make ſome part of the evil. Nevertheleſs, the inquiry itſelf muſt be allowed praiſe-worthy, however miſtaken we find the inquirers. For ſure it cannot be denied to be a poor ſpecimen of modern politics, in order to arrive at veracity, to make jury-men of parties. But, in ſhort, extortion of office-fees, is but the leaſt part of the malpractice complained of. To arrive therefore at the very core of the malady, I would humbly propoſe, that a committee ſhould be ballotted for, excluding, for very obvious reaſons, all profeſſors of the law: which committee, as in other caſes, ſhould be inveſted with power to ſend for perſons, papers, and records, and to examine in the moſt ſolemn manner. I would next adviſe, that ſome particular cauſe out of every court, from the Marſhalſea to the King's-bench, ſhould be ſelected for the ſubject of inquiry; the attornies on each ſide to attend to anſwer queſtions, and give an account of their proceedings, and the reaſons they went upon: that if, upon inquiry, irregularities are found, they ſhould be noted for an amendment; and the authors concerned in them, after a report is made to the houſe, by a here neceſſary act given up to public infamy. By this means, the moſt unskillful and unacquainted might arrive at a full information of the delays and other mal-practices daily committed: and thus the evil having been ſearched to the very bottom, a future act might wiſely provide for the ſecurity and ſafety of the ſubject. Such an unprejudiced and free inquiry would ſoon ſatisfy mankind, that bailiffs and catch-poles are only lawyers in grain, whoſe legitimacy is termly avowed by Holland coif, and ſable gown. Here would ſoon appear to view, how lovingly each plays into the hands of the other; while both the contending parties are made the martyrs of their avarice and knavery. In ſhort, ſuch an inquiry would open a proſpect into the flagrant ſcene of all the villainy; and thereby lay a foundation for a thorough reformation, which might ſave thouſands yearly. True it is, it may be objected, that a numerous band of gentry, which now make a grand figure, would, by this means be in danger of ſtarving: but let ſuch objectors take into conſideration our new ſettlements in Georgia, and our annual tranſportations on public accounts; and if the gentlemen found guilty, are not ſatisfied, let them be ſhipped to find out a north-eaſt paſſage to Japan.—A meſſenger here coming in, gave an interruption, by telling TIMON, the duke of ..... ſtayed for him: nevertheleſs the company would by no means aſſent to his departure, till they had obtained his promiſe to meet again to finiſh the ſubject.

If this pleaſes, Mr. BAVIUS, I fancy I can prevail upon my friend SALATHIEL, who has an excellent talent (or, as the godly cant it, gift) at ſhort hand, to take down all paſſages next meeting. Till when I remain yours,

TOM. TELLTROTH.

O-Sedgwick.

WE layed before the reader, in our 220th *Journal*, two different accounts of a remarkable converſation which paſſed betwixt Mr. BUDGELL and Mr. TINDAL the Doctor's nephew, a day or two after Aug. 17th, concerning a latent 1000 l. of the Doctor's South-ſea ſtock. We ſhall now preſent him with two different accounts of a ſecond more remarkable converſation upon the ſame ſubject, which paſſed betwixt them a few days after, and probably on Aug. 25, the day appointed for proving the Will.

† 'Mr. *Tindal* having ſecured the goods, ſends to Mr. 'BUDGELL to meet him at St. Paul's coffee-houſe, 'where he would inform him of ſomething neceſſary to 'be known before the probat was put to the Will. At 'the hour appointed comes Mr. B. with (1) Mrs. PRICE: 'and Mr. T. (before two witneſſes [Mr. MORANT and 'Mr. KNAPTON] who had heard him deny that he knew 'any thing of the 1000 l. in queſtion) tells him without 'any ceremony, *That he had trac'd the* 1000 l. *into his 'pocket, and therefore demanded performance of the arti-'cles.* Mr. B. (2) ſtill pretended ignorance, thinking it 'might be only a ſurmiſe. Whereupon Mr. T. told 'him the particulars; *how the ſtock was ſold June 2d*, 1732. '*for ſuch* bank-notes, *which very* notes *were by him 'delivered at Sir* FRANCIS CHILD's,] *June* 3d, *as 'appeared by indorſement on the ſame.* To this Mr. B. 'calmly replied, *Indeed he did now remember theſe* notes '*were given him, but it was* (3) *for the* Doctor's *uſe.* Mr. 'T. told him, He *expected that evaſion, but it would be 'of no ſervice to him; for, ſo far were the* bank-notes '*from being deliver'd in the* Doctor's *name, that he had 'received for them* Sir FRANCIS CHILD's *promiſſory notes, 'payable to* EUSTACE BUDGELL, Eſq; *or order.*

'Beaten from this ſubterfuge, Mr. B. had recourſe to 'another, and ſaid, *To tell the truth, he had borrowed 'the money of the* Doctor *upon bond, but had repaid it, 'and torn* (4) *the bond.* Mr. T. anſwer'd, *It was not uſual, 'for people to tear bonds of ſuch conſequence, but to cancel, 'and keep them for the ſecurity of themſelves and their 'heirs*; and inſiſted, ſince he had owned the receipt of 'the money, upon his proving how he was diſcharged 'of it. And, here he took occaſion to reproach him, *for 'inveigling an old man of fourſcore to lend him ſuch ſums 'upon his* bond, *which he knew to be of no value.* Mr. 'B. being gravell'd, Mrs. P, who had ſaid but little during the diſpute, conſcious of what ſhe had done, and 'perhaps fearing a farther diſcovery, turn'd to him and 'ſaid, (5) *Mr. B. I begin to think you had this money, and 'therefore would have you perform your agreement with 'Mr.* T. Mr. B, loath to part with the *bank-ſtock*, ſtill 'heſitated; whereupon Mrs. P. in a ſeeming paſſion told 'him, *She inſiſted upon it, and by G—d he ſhould do it. 'For*, ſays ſhe, *who firſt brought you acquainted with the* Doctor, *was it not I? Is not this all my doing? I ſay 'you ſhall comply.* Then taking him into another room, 'after a few moments diſcourſe, he comes out and tells 'Mr. T. *That for his good* uncle's *ſake, and at Mrs.* P's 'inſtances, *he would give him half of the hundred forty*

† *A Copy of the Will of* Dr. Mat. Tindal, *with an Account* &c. *pag.* 18, 19, 20, 21.

'*five pounds*. But Mr. T. inſiſting upon the whole, he 'at laſt agreed, and bound himſelf in five hundred 'pounds penalty to transfer the ſtock as ſoon as the will 'was prov'd.

'While the inſtrument was drawing, Mr. B. deſires 'Mr. T. (6) to ſign a paper, containing a promiſe, *That he 'would not ſay any thing that ſhou'd reflect on his uncle or 'him, and an acknowledgment of his generoſity for giving 'more than he was oblig'd to give by the Will.* But M. 'T. abſolutely refus'd it. — Mr. B. at the proving of 'the Will, took the uſual oath, ſwearing he believed 'that paper to be Dr. TINDAL's laſt Will and teſtament; 'but Mr. T. in renouncing it, refuſed to ſwear, he be 'liev'd it to be the Doctor's Will: after this, Mr. B. 'transferr'd the hundred pounds *Bank-ſtock* to Mr. T. 'according to agreement.'

Mr. B. relates this converſation very differently in the following manner. †† 'They met again at the day ap- 'pointed [for proving the Will] Mr. T. brought ano- 'ther clergyman with him, and Mr. JOHN KNAPTON 'the bookſeller. Mr. B. brought the perſon with him, 'to whoſe cuſtody the Doctor had committed his Will, 'and whom he had made promiſe not to part with it, 'but to ſee it proved at the *Commons*. Mr. T. before 'this company told Mr. B. that *ſince he ſaw him laſt, 'he had diſcovered that the bank-notes for* 1000 *l. which 'his uncle had for his* South-ſea ſtock, *was ſoon after paid 'to* Mr. B. *himſelf; and that therefore he thought before he 'proved the* Will, *he might reaſonably enough expect, be- 'ſides what he had already received, that* Mr. B. *would 'give him* 145 *l. out of his uncle's bank-ſtock; and that 'if* Mr. B. *would agree to this, he ſhould always be his 'friend and humble ſervant, notwithſtanding the diſcovery 'he had made.* Mr. B. frankly owned the receipt of 'the money, but asked him how it appeared but that 'he might have received it for the Doctor's uſe? Mr. T. 'replied, that was very unlikely and improbable; and 'preſſing Mr. B. to give a full and clear account of this mo- 'ney, Mr. B. ſaid, that if he muſt give a true account of this 'money, the truth was, that it was lent to himſelf upon 'a *bond*, but that the Doctor had given him back this 'bond again in his life-time, and that it was now can- 'celled. Mr. T. affirmed, that no man who underſtood 'buſineſs, would cancel a bond for 1000 l. and there- 'fore, unleſs Mr. B. would give him the 145 l. which 'he demanded, he ſtrongly inſiſted to ſee the bond, that 'he might know on what conditions, and upon what 'ſecurity the money was lent. Mr. B. told him, that if 'he muſt ſtill ſpeak plainer, there was another gentleman 'nearly concerned in this affair, as well as himſelf; that 'there were ſome circumſtances in it which he was ob- 'liged in *honour* not to mention without that gentleman's 'leave, but that in (7) a little time he did not doubt of ob- 'taining leave to give him all the ſatisfaction he could 'deſire. Mr. T. replied, that he could ſtay no longer 'in town, and was reſolved to end the affair at *once*, that 'he pretended no right to this 1000 l. which he owned 'belonged to Mr. B. wherever it was; and that there- 'fore if Mr. B. would but generouſly give him 145 l. 'beſides what he had already, he would trouble himſelf 'no more about this money, or any other part of the 'Doctor's eſtate, nor even mention to any man living 'what had now paſſed upon this ſubject. He repeated 'this ſeveral times, and Mr. B. rather than break a pro- 'miſe which he had made to a friend, and be obliged 'to ſay more than he could with honour, agreed to the 'propoſal Mr. T. made him, and Mr. JOHN KNAPTON 'was ſo eager to take him at his word, that he immedi- 'ately ran away to his own attorney, Mr. COLE, in the ci- 'ty, to get him to draw up the agreement. He came back 'to the company in about half an hour, and aſſured them 'that the *Agreement* would be ready for Mr. *B.* and 'Mr. T. to ſign by that time they could get to Mr. COLE's. 'They therefore went thither all together. Mr. *B.* and 'Mr. T. executed the articles of agreement drawn up by 'Mr. COLE: and "The ſaid NICHOLAS TINDALL, in "conſideration of the Premiſſes (theſe are the very words "of the agreement) did aſſign and make over unto the "ſaid EUSTACE BUDGELL, all his right, title, and in- "tereſt, claim and demand whatſoever, of, in and to the "reſidue of the eſtate of the ſaid MATTHEW TINDALL, "which by the aforeſaid Will was given and deviſed un- "to him the ſaid NICHOLAS TINDALL." 'When the 'Articles were executed, Mr. *T.* thanked Mr. *B.* before 'all the company, owned that *he had acted generouſly by 'him* (theſe were his very words) *and done much more 'than by law he was obliged to.* In conſideration of Mr. *B*'s 'kindneſs, he promiſed above forty times over, never to 'caſt the leaſt reflection, either on his deceaſed uncle, or 'Mr. *B.* They went together to *Doctors-commons*, where 'according to agreement, Mr *B.* proved the will, and 'Mr. *T.* renounced his ſhare in the executorſhip. Mr. 'B. the next day, according to his promiſe, gave Mr. 'T. 145 l. out of the Doctor's bank-ſtock; and now his 'profeſſions of *kindneſs* and *reſpect* for Mr. B. when he 'took his leave of him, were, if poſſible, much *higher* 'than ever.'

†† *The Bee, Numb.* XXXVII. *pag.* 1630, 1631.

Obſervations by Mr. BAVIUS.

(1) This lady, without naming her, is deſcribed in Mr. B's account, by an elegant periphraſis of thirty two words.

(2) Mr. B. ſays, *he frankly owned the receipt of the money.*

(3) Mr. B. according to his account, did not directly affirm this, but only *asked how it appeared but that he might have received it for the Doctor's uſe?* This is a material difference.

(4) Mr. B. tells us, that he only ſayed, that the bond *was cancelled*; and improbably makes Mr. T. *affirm, that no man who underſtood buſineſs would* cancel *a bond for* 1000 *l.* Surely *no man* would leave ſuch a bond *uncancelled*, tho' he would not *tear* it to pieces.

(5) This whole converſation is omitted in Mr. B's account.

(6) Mr. T. might better have *ſigned a paper* once, than *promiſed* Mr. *B. above forty times* (as he ſays he did) that he would not do this: it would have ſaved trouble.

(7) This *little time* was almoſt five months ago.

To a NOBLE LORD, *on his late moſt incomparable* Poem.

Moſt noble peer, your ever charming verſe,
Delights the more, the oftener you rehearſe.
To your harmonious ſtrains all others yield,
Like bending corn when winds breathe o'er the field.
Right honourable Bard, exalt thy lays,
From princely riſing to majeſtic praiſe;
Then ſhall the world, in ſpite of envy, ſee,
The LAUREAT's lofty *Odes* out-done by thee.

R. S.

DOMESTIC NEWS.

C. *Daily Courant.*
P. *Daily Poſt-Boy.*
D P. *Daily Poſt.*
D J. *Daily Journal.*
DA. *Daily Advertiſer.*
S J. *St. James's Evening Poſt.*
LE. *London Evening Poſt.*
GE. *General Evening Poſt.*

THURSDAY, *Mar.* 28. The earl of Glencairn, enſign in gen. Tatton's regiment, is made governor of Dumbarton caſtle in Scotland, in the room of the late earl his father. *S J. L E.*

Yeſterday No. 33,400 was drawn a prize of 500 l. *L E.* — And No. 83,496 a prize of 3000 l. *P.* — which is the property of a grocer in Dublin. *C. D P.* —— Of Mr. Barkley a linnen-draper in Cheapſide. *D A.*

Yeſterday the aſſizes ended at Kingſton, when 6 perſons received ſentence of death. *G E.*

Laſt night the rev. Dr. John Waugh, lord biſhop of Carliſle, lay at the point of death. *P.* —— He is in perfect health, to the great mortification of thoſe who would have it otherwiſe. *G E.*

Died on tueſday Hen. Beningfield, Eſq; *D P.* —— Bendingfield: was found dead in an upper room of his houſe in Caſtle-ſtreet. *P.* —— Son of Sir Henry. *D A.* —— Of an apoplectic fit. *D J.* —— Yeſterday morning. —— Andrews, Eſq; *D P.* —— The ſame morning the rev. Dr. Ridgley, an eminent diſſenting miniſter. *C.* — Laſt night. *D P.*

FRIDAY, *Mar.* 29. We hear that the ſon of the lord Maſham, will ſtand a candidate for Windſor. *D J.* —— The following gentlemen have offered themſelves candidates for S. Albans, viz. the right hon. the lord Grimſton, George Aſhley, and Tho. Bracey, Eſqrs; and Sir Tho. Aſton, Bart. member of Liverpool, ſtands on the intereſt of the hon. John Spencer, Eſq; *D A.*

Yeſterday major Wywill kiſs'd the king's hand on being promoted to be lieut. colonel of the royal regiment of horſe-guards, blue, commanded by his grace the duke of Argyll. —— As did Capt. Beake, on his being appointed to ſucceed as major. *D A.*

On tueſday morning the lords of the Admiralty, diſapproving of the inſolence ſome days ago in the houſe of Signor Imberti, miniſter and reſident from the moſt ſerene republic of Venice, by John Powell, officer of a preſs gang, who attempted to force ſome Venetian ſeamen who took refuge in the ſaid miniſter's houſe, they have obliged him to ask pardon, which was done with all ſubmiſſion: and it is thought that the ſaid miniſter will intercede for him. *P.*

Yeſterday No. 26,918 was drawn a prize of 500 l. *D J.*

On wedneſday a man driving his team loaded with hay through Kentiſh town, met a hackney coachman, who whipt the horſes, which occaſioning them to ſtart forward, the man was flung under the wheel, which went over his head and body, and cruſh'd him to death. *D J.*

Died a few days ſince lady Mary Craven, widow of Sir Thomas, of Staffordſhire, who, by her will, gave the bulk of her eſtate to her ſiſters, Mrs. Hanbury and Mrs. Becher. *D P.* —— Yeſterday morning at his houſe at Kenſington, Charles Lynn, Eſq; *D A.*

SATURDAY, *Mar.* 30. We are aſſur'd, that a conſiderable augmentation will ſpeedily be made in his majeſty's forces both by ſea and land. — And that the militia of the kingdom will be immediately put on ſuch a foot, as to be eaſily call'd out upon any emergence, in caſe the regular troops ſhould be ſent abroad. *D A.*

Yeſterday at a general court at Chriſt's hoſpital, Tho. Inwin, Eſq; Mr. John Boyfield, Eſq; Mr. Phil. Perry, John Croſſe, Eſq; Mr. Phil. Aynſcomb, Edw. Gibbon, jun. Eſq; and Charles Bochm, Eſq; received their charge as governors of the ſaid hoſpital. At the ſame time came on the election of an apothecary; there were ſeveral candidates, who were reduced to three, viz. Mr. Liſle, Mr. Kinleſide, and Mr. Cheeke; and the firſt having, viſible majority, the two latter were put up, when Mra Kinleſide had 79 votes, and Mr. Cheeke 65; and then Mr. Liſle and Mr. Kinleſide being put up, Mr. Liſle had 79 votes, and Mr. Kinleſide 65; ſo Mr. Liſle was declared duly elected. *D A. D J.*

A page is wanted: qualifications required by the nobleman are, that he exceed not 13 or 14 years, wear his own fair hair, be comely, ſlender, ſmall boned, of ſprightly parts, and write a good hand. Poverty will rather recommend than diſgrace him. *W E.* —— *This* advertiſement *ſeems to be tranſlated from the* Italian.

Died laſt week of the gout in his ſtomach, Francis Ellerton, Eſq; at his ſeat near Chirk-caſtle in Denbighſhire. *D A.*

MONDAY, *Ap.* 1. Yeſterday the right rev. the lord biſhop of S. David's preach'd before their majeſties, his royal highneſs the prince, their highneſſes the prince and princeſs of Orange, &c. in the chapel royal at S. James's. *C.*

His majeſty has been pleaſed to appoint capt. Rich. Haddock to be comptroller of the navy, in the room of admiral Mighells, deceaſed. *C. D P.* —— And Tho. Bromley, Eſq; to be deputy commiſſary of the muſters in the firſt regiment of foot guards. *D J.*

On ſaturday No. 39,500 was drawn a prize of 2000 l. *C. D P. D J.*

The ſquadron of 20 ſail of men of war, that are equipping with much expedition, is to rendezvous in the Downs. *D P.*

On ſaturday the houſe of Lords preſented an addreſs to his majeſty, on occaſion of his meſſage the day before; to which his majeſty returned a moſt gracious anſwer. *D A.*

On ſaturday the poll-books were caſt up in the Council-chamber at Guildhall, by the ſheriffs and the candidates, with the aſſiſtance of the inſpectors, when the numbers ſtood as follows, viz.

For Mr. Boſworth 3326. For Mr. Selwin 3319. *D A.*

Joſ. Peirce the exciſeman, condemned at the laſt aſſize at Kingſton, for forging a receipt of 41. 8 s. 7 d. has obtained a reprieve. *D J.*

Died at Shadwell, John Sandford, Eſq; formerly an eminent Virginia-merchant, reputed worth 20,000 l. *C. D P.*

TUESDAY, *Ap.* 2. Yeſterday the hon. houſe of commons waited on his majeſty with a moſt dutiful and loyal addreſs of thanks, for his majeſty's moſt gracious meſſage, to which his majeſty return'd a very obliging anſwer. *C. D P.*

The ſame day the ſheriffs declared Mr. Boſworth to have a majority of ſeven, and to be duly elected, but the friends of Mr. Selwin demanding a ſcrutiny, the ſame was granted. *C. P. D J.* —— To begin the 4th of May. *D A.* —— The declaration will be made May the 4th. *D P.* —— We hear the poll will be printed. *C.*

The ſame day No. 49,069, was drawn a prize of 500 l. *C. D P. D J. D A.*

They write from Romney, that laſt week there was the greateſt ſtruggle in the election of a mayor that ever was known, and that they had two mayors. *D J. D A.*

WEDNESDAY, *Apr.* 3. Yeſterday No. 9,002 was drawn a prize of 2000 l. *D P. D J.*

Died yeſterday the lady of the right hon. the earl of Thomond. *P. D P. D J.*

From the PEGASUS *in Grub-ſtreet.*

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Inſcribed ſtand with IMMORTALITATI,
To one purſuing HIM with impious ſpight,
Who *Immortality* firſt *brought to light?*
Why tears its breaſt the Pelican above,
Emblem of unbrib'd charity, and love?

Since he whole orders hated, and decry'd,
And a court-penſioner both liv'd and dy'd.
With beak on breech revers'd, much better proctor
The Ibis ſure had been, for this learn'd Doctor:
Who ſcorn'd all ſpiritual bolus, pill, and blister,
And gave himſelf, with his own mouth, a clyſter.
Emblems more true, the Church and Lamp below,
Of Revelation and of Reaſon, ſhow.
For as the ſun, when darting evening rays,
To fleſhly eyes a larger diſk diſplays;
That brighter orb, at death's approaching night,
Shines to the eyes of faith with greater light.
This night once paſt, the pure æthereal flame,
Bright'ning the other world, yet ſtill the ſame,
All dreams of fancy'd joys and woes withdrawn,
Salutes us rais'd in Life's laſt glorious dawn.
But Reaſon's brazen lamp, by heav'n's juſt doom,
Caſting faint glimmerings through this earthly gloom,
In viewing heav'nly truths aſſiſts our ſight,
A weak, obſcure, pale, dubious, trembling light.
To this, excluding Revelation's ray,
If ſole we truſt, and night prefer to day;
Ourſelves we pleaſe with vain fallacious ſchemes
Of good ſecur'd by ſcientific dreams:
The ſhort-liv'd lamp in ſmoak and ſtench expires,
And leaves us in eternal night, or fires. DACTYL.

EPIGRAM.

Of *Kick him Jenny*, and of *Kick him Nan*,
Both Grubſtreet authors kick, if find you can.
MÆVIUS.

Since our laſt, we have received letters from TOM. MEANWELL, BAVIOPHILUS, SCENICUS, MISOPSEUDES, and OMICRON; and a copy of verſes from *ETEOCLES.

FOREIGN NEWS.

THURSDAY, *Mar.* 28. —— *Paris, Ap.* 3. The count de Belliſle is actually arrived with 20 French regiments in the neighbourhood of Traerbach on the Moſelle, to form a camp of 40,000 men, and beſiege that place. *C. P. DP. DA.*

FRIDAY, *Mar.* 29. —— *Hague, Ap.* 2. At laſt the important affair of the ſucceſſion of the late king William is brought to a concluſion. Orders are accordingly ſent to the chamber of Domains, to deliver up all that belongs to that prince. Only the province of Zealand has entered a proteſt, which we flatter ourſelves is more for form ſake than any thing elſe. *P.*

SATURDAY, *Mar.* 30. —— *Dreſden, Mar.* 28. The king returned hither yeſterday morning. His majeſty's return was very quick and unexpected. *L E.*

MONDAY, *Ap.* 1. —— *Breſlau, Mar.* 24. The two princes Lubomirski are retired; the crown-marſhal has refuſed the preſent the king ſent him; and all the palatines that aſſiſted at his majeſty's election and coronation, are gone off.

TUESDAY, *Ap.* 2. —— *Paris, Mar.* 29. Some accounts from Spain ſay, that part of the ſhips at Barcelona ſail'd the 15. *D P.*

WEDNESDAY, *Ap.* 3. —— *Paris, Ap.* 10. Our army under the duke of Berwick conſiſts of 157,000 effective men. *DP. DJ. DA.*

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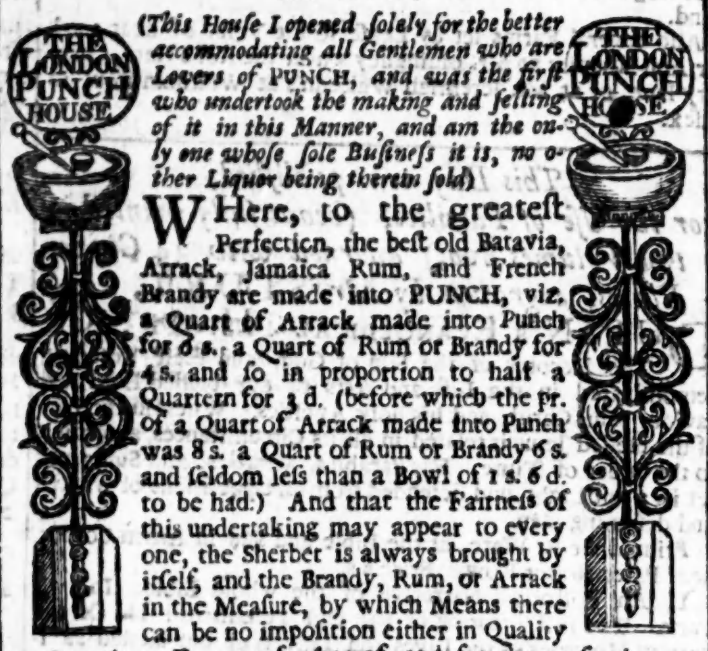

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